

3.3 Military Working Dog Facility

USAG-AK has proposed to construct a new military working dog facility at Fort Richardson (Figure 38). The proposed dog facility will provide adequate housing for the military working dogs as well as support spaces for the Military Working Dog Program. This building will be 2,435 square feet and will include dog runs, food preparation areas, offices, storage, a multi-purpose/mission briefing room, classroom and emergency medical exam and treatment room. The purpose of this new facility is to provide adequate space for indoor kenneling and a training area for use during the cold winters at Fort Richardson. The current facility does not provide the required space to effectively run the program. This project is located on map quadrangle ANC B8, T. 14 N., R. 2 W., Section 32.

Survey and Inventory

In June 2005 USAG-AK cultural resources staff reviewed the proposed project and the existing literature on cultural resources within the Fort Richardson cantonment area. The site of the proposed working dog facility was visited and photographs were taken. This area appears to have been previously cleared and partially developed as a result of construction activities within the cantonment.

Cultural Resources

There are no known cultural resources located within the proposed project area.

Results

After a review of the proposed project USAG-AK has determined that there are no historic properties located within the project area. All other previously recorded archaeological sites or historic properties in the Fort Richardson cantonment area fall outside of the proposed project area. USAG-AK has determined that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed project.

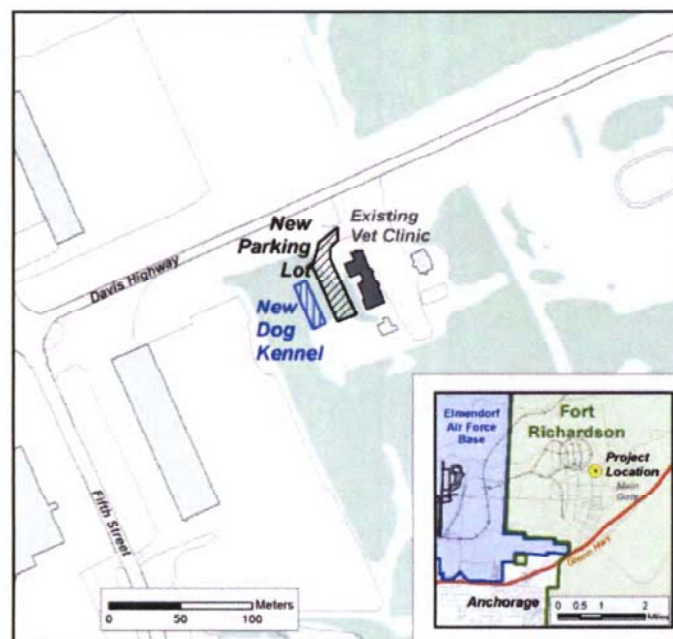


Figure 38. Military Working Dog facility